

## U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS REGULATORY PROGRAM APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION FORM (INTERIM) NAVIGABLE WATERS PROTECTION RULE

### I. ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Completion Date of Approved Jurisdictional Determination (AJD): 11-DEC-2020

ORM Number: LRL-2019-01033-NCC

Associated JDs: N/A or ORM numbers and identifiers (e.g. HQS-2020-00001-MSW-MITSITE)

Review Area Location<sup>1</sup>:

State/Territory: KY City: County/Parish/Borough: Russell County

Center Coordinates of Review Area: Latitude 36.865445 Longitude -85.151236

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`	•	1899 Section 10 (§ 10) <sup>2</sup>	
§ 10 Name	§ 10 Size	§ 10 Criteria	Rationale for § 10 Determination
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Clean Water	Act Section 4	04	
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### D. Excluded Waters or Features

Excluded waters  $((b)(1) - (b)(12))^4$ :

Exclusion Name		Exclusion <sup>5</sup>	Rationale for Exclusion Determination
Site S01	82 feet	(b)(3) Ephemeral feature, including	Ephemeral 1 only contains surface water flowing or
(Ephemeral 1)		an ephemeral stream, swale, gully,	pooling in direct response to precipitation. Ephemeral
		rill, or pool	Stream 1 is a (b)(3) water and is therefore excluded
			from the rule.

#### III. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- **A. Select/enter all resources** that were used to aid in this determination and attach data/maps to this document and/or references/citations in the administrative record, as appropriate.
  - \_X\_ Information submitted by, or on behalf of, the applicant/consultant: Permit Amendment (LRL-2019-1033-ncc), US 127 Rockfall Removal Project, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, Russell County, KY, dated August 21, 2020.

This information is sufficient for purposes of this AJD.

Rationale: N/A or describe rationale for insufficiency (including partial insufficiency).

\_\_\_ Data sheets prepared by the Corps: *Title(s) and/or date(s)*.

\_X\_ Photographs: Photos of Impacted Streams and Wetlands, US 127 Rockfall Removal, Russell County, KY, Site S01 (Ephemeral 1) dated February 12, 2020

Corps Site visit(s) conducted on: NA

- Previous Jurisdictional Determinations (AJDs or PJDs): ORM Number(s) and date(s).
- **\_X**\_ Antecedent Precipitation Tool: <u>provide detailed discussion in Section III.B.</u>
- USDA NRCS Soil Survey: Title(s) and/or date(s).
- \_\_\_ USFWS NWI maps: Title(s) and/or date(s).
- USGS topographic maps: *Title(s)* and/or date(s).

#### Other data sources used to aid in this determination:

Data Source (select)	Name and/or date and other relevant information
USGS Sources	N/A.
USDA Sources	N/A.
NOAA Sources	N/A.
USACE Sources	N/A.
State/Local/Tribal Sources	N/A.
Other Sources	N/A.

B. **Typical year assessment(s): The Antecedent Precipitation Tool (APT) was used to evaluate climatic** conditions for the date the consultant completed initial delineation field work, February 12, 2020. The APT analysis shows that the assessment was performed during the wet season, and precipitation and climatic conditions were within the normal periodic range, therefore typical year conditions were present.

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WUHPD was reviewed for February 12, 2020 to see the precipitation totals for the days leading up to the assessment dates and site visits. On February 12, 2021, the Bluegrass Airport Station recorded 1.3" of rain in the 3 days prior to the assessment date. Water was observed in the stream channel, indicating that the presence of water in ephemeral tributaries would not be unusual given the function of ephemeral tributaries in the landscape.

C. Additional comments to support AJD: N/A or provide additional discussion as appropriate.

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